IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE (Case No. RA043D2C3C2)

In the Application of:

FARMWALD ET AL.

Serial No: Continuation of 09/492,982

Filed: Herewith

Title: MEMORY DEVICE HAVING A VARIABLE

DATA OUTPUT LENGTH (As Amended)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Prior to the examination of the above-referenced application, kindly amend the application as follows:

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please delete the Abstract of the Disclosure and substitute the attached Abstract of the Disclosure.

IN THE TITLE:

Please delete the title and substitute --MEMORY DEVICE HAVING A VARIABLE DATA OUTPUT LENGTH--.

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